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FM AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

TO AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR

AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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GUATEMALA ALSO FOR ROCAP

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: BEXP, EAGR, EPAP, NU, XK

SUBJECT: COFFEE RUST

REF: (A) GUATEMLA 3019; (B) SAN JOSE 2297

1. DUE TO COFFEE RUST OUTBREAK IN NICARAGUA LAST NOVEMBER, EMBASSY MANAGUA HAS ALREADY STARTED COMMERCIAL PROGRAM FOR COPPER-BASED FUNGICIDE AND BACKPACK SPRAYERS. WITH PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE COOPERATION OF USDOC, EMBASSY WAS ABLE TO COMPILE LIST OF INTERESTED US COMPANIES IN THIS FIELD WHO HAD FORWARDED COPIES OF CATALOGUES TO MANAGUA. THE LIST OF POTENTIAL SUPPLIERS HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, INCLUDING LOCAL DEALERS.

2. MAIN COMPETITION WE HAVE ENCOUNTERED THUS FAR HAS COME FROM WEST GERMAN FIRM, HOECHST, WHICH MARKETS A SYSTEMIC FUNGICIDE (CYCAROL) AND CLAIMS THAT IT IS MORE EFFECTIVE THAN SURFACE-AD-  
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HERING FUNGICIDES. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED TO BE THE CASE AND HAVE ARGUED THAT THOROUGH SURFACE SPRAYING IS A MORE EFFECTIVE PREVENTIVE AGAINST THE SPREAD OF COFFEE RUST SPORES.

3. IF ANY EMBASSY IS CONTEMPLATING UNDERTAKING SIMILAR PROGRAM, MANAGUA MORE THAN HAPPY TO POUCH LIST OF MANUFACTURERS, REALTED MEMCONS AND OTHER INFORMATION.

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